

Crop Progress and Condition



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Idaho Received Some Much-Needed Rainfall

There were 6.2 days suitable for fieldwork, up from 6.1 reported the previous week. Temperatures throughout the state of Idaho were cooler than normal. In northern Idaho, counties remained dry until late in the week. Spotty rainfall was received in parts of northern Idaho, such as Bonner County, but failed to produce any substantial rainfall. Late moisture did not improve winter wheat crops. In Cassia County, the first cutting of alfalfa hay was delayed. In Bonneville County, recent rain helped improve topsoil moisture. Crops continued to look good in south central and southwest Idaho, but additional heat units were needed. Eastern Idaho also received much needed moisture. Pasture lands quickly absorbed the rainfall, but precipitation was still needed throughout the area.

Cooler Temperatures Continued in Oregon

There were 6.7 days suitable for field work, up from 6.6 the previous week. Clatsop and Tillamook Counties received rain last week. Corn silage fields progressed well with many plants well out of the ground. A third cutting of alfalfa hay was observed. Pastured cows were outside. North central Oregon received a little rain, but not enough to help crop conditions. Temperatures remained cool and helped crops and pastures a little. Cattle were moved to summer pastures. Wheat continued to look terrible in some spots and hanging on in others. In Baker and Grant Counties, the cold spring showed effects on spring planted crops. Wheat, potatoes, and corn fell behind, but started to come out of the soil. In Umatilla and Wallowa Counties, scattered showers were received. Winter wheat showed drought stress, but winter canola had done well. In southwest Oregon, soil moisture in non-irrigated areas were at midsummer levels. Farmers did not cut much grass for hay due to the lack of rain. The dry spring allowed fruit and berry crops to develop without signs of disease. Cool nights slowed vegetable crop planting and development. In Malheur County, rain slowed down fieldwork until the end of the week. Alfalfa hay was cut and dry beans began to emerge. Lake County continued to experience below average precipitation. Producers continued to report spring planting of crops.

Much Needed Precipitation Throughout Washington

There were 7.0 days suitable for field work, up from 6.8 days reported the previous week. Statewide temperatures for the week ending May 30 were below normal. In western Washington, rainstorms provided much needed precipitation. Ground preparation for planting was excellent. In San Juan County, some fields were replanted due to dry weather. CSA farms planted potatoes, melons, and tomatoes. In central Washington, crop stress became more apparent. Several livestock operators were concerned about drought relief programs and looked for additional pastures. In Okanogan County, cherry crops looked average, pastures were in tough shape, and wheat was stunted. The cooler weather helped keep wheat from maturing early with no moisture. In Yakima County, light measurable rain was received for the first time in two months. Farmers were concerned about wildfires on the rangeland due to lack of precipitation. June-bearing raspberries were in bloom and hop producers were able to successfully stretch out vine growth. In east central Washington, conditions remained dry. In Lincoln County, hot, dry, and windy conditions downgraded soil moisture and cereal crop conditions. In northeast Washington, reports from producers were received throughout the area stating that the previous drought conditions and a freeze stunted the growth of all crops. In southeast Washington, no precipitation severely hurt spring crops. In Garfield County, pasture growth was completed and had dried up.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 05/30/21

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	11	36	53	-
	54	26	20	-
	35	45	19	1
Subsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	13	36	51	-
	57	23	20	-
	31	36	32	1

⁻ Represents zero.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 05/30/21

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
Idaho	6	15	56	22	1
Oregon	41	17	27	15	-
Washington	43	30	23	4	-
Winter wheat					
Idaho	3	17	40	30	10
Oregon	31	32	27	10	-
Washington	7	17	42	34	-
Spring wheat					
Idaho	-	11	62	18	9
Oregon	24	32	24	19	1
Washington	13	38	33	16	· -
Barley					
Idaho	_	4	55	27	14
Oregon	12	12	40	33	3
Washington	9	31	36	24	-
Oats	4	44	50	40	4.4
Idaho	1	11	58	16	14
Oregon	2	2	38	54	4
Washington	4	8	11	77	-
Potatoes					
Oregon	-	3	25	46	26
Washington	1	1	61	36	1
Corn					
Idaho	-	8	35	26	31
Oregon	-	8	17	64	11
Washington	2	3	59	18	18
Dry edible beans					
Ídaho	-	18	59	23	-
Washington	12	18	45	24	1
Onions					
Idaho	-	-	1	95	4
Oregon	_	5	26	49	20
Washington	1	3	78	15	3
Sugarbeets					
Idaho	_	8	18	43	31
Oregon	-	-	10	80	10
Dry edible peas					
Idaho	_	13	47	32	8
Oregon	17	25	17	33	8
	17	20	17	33	0
Washington	4	21	49	26	_

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 05/30/21

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year	
-	week	week	year	average	
Spring wheat emerged	94	82	94	85	
Winter wheat headed	19	6	16	24	
Barley emerged	90	77	90	86	
Oats emerged	90	74	87	75	
Potatoes planted	95	90	97	96	
Potatoes emerged	58	34	50	55	
Sugarbeets emerged	82	77	84	83	
Field corn planted	96	90	90	92	
Field corn emerged	79	54	73	69	
Dry edible beans planted	89	75	84	74	
Dry edible beans emerged	68	54	68	(NA)	
Dry edible peas emerged	95	86	82	(NA)	
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting	24	12	14	24	

(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 05/30/21

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average	
Spring wheat headed	27	1	27	(NA)	
Winter wheat headed		65	80	70	
Barley headed	14	1	32	(NA)	
Oats emerged		94	95	91	
Oats headed	-	(NA)	10	(NA)	
Potatoes emerged	76	63	81	78	
Field corn planted	92	87	95	92	
Field corn emerged		74	73	76	
Onions emerged		92	(NA)	(NA)	
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting		26	41	49	

(NA) Not available.

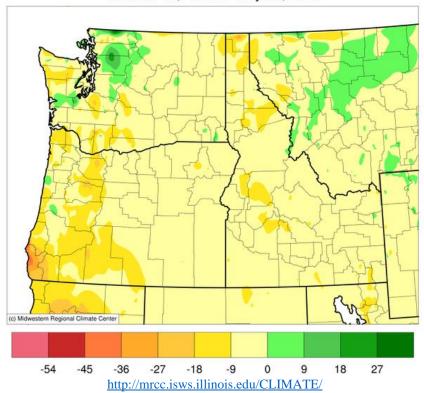
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 05/30/21

	Percent completed				
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year	
	week	week	year	average	
Spring wheat emerged	93	86	90	89	
Winter wheat headed	51	25	51	53	
Barley emerged	91	82	85	80	
Oats planted	98	82	(NA)	(NA)	
Oats emerged	55	50	58	53	
Potatoes emerged	88	68	84	82	
Field corn planted	92	86	(NA)	(NA)	
Field corn emerged	74	47	89	81	
Dry edible beans emerged	86	82	89	(NA)	
Dry edible peas planted	94	89	(NA)	(NA)	
Dry edible peas emerged	77	69	97	78	
Onions emerged	100	92	(NA)	(NA)	
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting	43	25	59	54	

(NA) Not available.

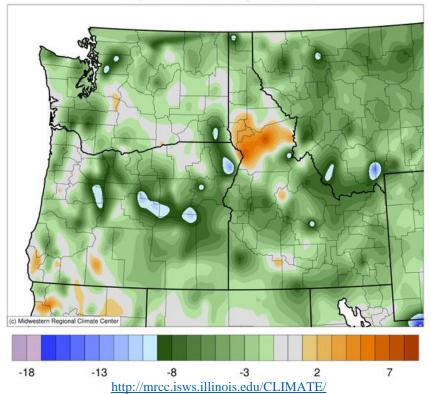
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

October 01, 2020 to May 30, 2021



Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1991-2020 Normals

May 24, 2021 to May 30, 2021



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